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Title: In Support of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund and ACLU of Maryland Lawsuit Against the Maryland State Board of Education
For the purpose of supporting the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund and the ACLU of Maryland re-opening of the lawsuit regarding inadequate state funding for Baltimore City schools.

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City of Baltimore
Council Bill R
(Resolution)

Introduced by: Councilmember Henry

A Resolution Entitled

A Council Resolution concerning
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Recitals

On March 7, the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund and the ACLU of Maryland, along with some parents of Baltimore City schoolchildren, filed to re-open Bradford v. Maryland State Board of Education, a case that resulted in a consent decree regarding school funding. Under the consent decree, Baltimore City schools received over $2 billion in increased state funding for schools under a funding formula

created in 2002. The NAACP and the ACLU argue that, since the 2008 recession, the State stopped adjusting the funding formula for inflation, which has led to Baltimore City schools being underfunded by millions of dollars. The lack of funding has led to failure to provide a quality education for schoolchildren, as well as failure to provide appropriate physical environments for learning. The Baltimore City Council supports the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund and the ACLU of Maryland, in their re-opening of the suit against the Maryland State Board of Education, and hopes that the State will soon provide appropriate funding for the education of Baltimore City schoolchildren and all of Maryland's schoolchildren.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of Baltimore, That the Baltimore City Council supports the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund and the ACLU of Maryland re-opening of the lawsuit regarding inadequate state funding for Baltimore City schools.

And be it further resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Baltimore City Delegation to the Maryland General Assembly and State Senate, the President of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, the Executive Director of the ACLU of Maryland, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.

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